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From: Bolender, Mark
Sent: Tue 3/25/2014 1:19:11 PM
Subject: RE: Freedom Industries FOIAs

Thanks Wanda! (And thanks for being so precise!)

- Mark

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From: Johnson, WandaF
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2014 8:23 AM
To: Bolender, Mark
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Hi Mark. I have no correspondence between myself (EPA) and American Water Company nor between myself (EPA) and WVDHHR relating to the chemical spill in Charleston, WV on January 9, 2014, or Chemical Crude MCHM or any variation of MCHM. I am not in possession of any other correspondence that may have occurred between any other EPA employees with

American Water Company or WVDHHR relating to the chemical spill in Charleston WV on January 9, 2014, or Chemical Crude MCHM or any variation of MCHM.

What I do have is an email between myself and another EPA employee (Patti-Kay Wisniewski) regarding possible contract support to WVDHHR in a “lessoned learned” capacity post chemical spill, and my correspondence back to the contractor (CADMUS) regarding their solicitation. All other dialogue regarding contract support post chemical spill between myself (EPA) and WVDHHR and the contractor (CADMUS) was over the phone which I have no record of. Bottom line, nothing came of it. WVDHHR was not willing to provide funding. If you would like these two emails, just let me know.

Regards,

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From: Bolender, Mark
Sent: Monday, March 24, 2014 5:29 PM
To: Johnson, WandaF
Subject: FW: Freedom Industries FOIAs
Importance: High

Hi Wanda. I’m an attorney in ORC and have been assigned to work on the FOIA requests related to the Freedom Industries Elk River Chemical Spill in Charleston, WV. Two of the FOIAs request the following:

All documents submitted to the EPA from the West Virginia American Water Company, including but

not limited to documents submitted on February 18, 2014.

· (This request does in fact want all documents submitted. But to start, we should focus on documents submitted on Feb 18, 2014. We can supplement our response later.)

1. All correspondence, including emails, between officers or employees of the U.S. EPA and officers or employees of West Virginia American Water Company beginning January 1, 2014.

2. All correspondence, including emails, between officers or employees of the U.S. EPA and officers or employees of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources beginning January 1, 2014 that relate to any of the following topics:

- a. the Charleston water supply;
- b. West Virginia American water;
- c. the chemical spill that occurred in Charleston on January 9, 2014 ;
- d. the Chemical Crude MCHM or any variation of MCHM.

· It's important to remember that these last two are focused on correspondence between 1) EPA and WV American Water; and 2) EPA and WVDHHR.

Bill Arguto thought you might have documents responsive to these requests. To start, please let me know whether you do, in fact, have responsive documents. If yes, please let me know how many documents you have. We're looking for emails, electronic files, and paper documents. I know this is asking a lot, but we need to provide a preliminary response to the requester as soon as possible. Can you get back to me in a day or two with this info?

Thank you.

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